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Goepfritz.

1. On 20 August 1951, imprints of caterpillar tracks were noticed at the Goepfritz (O 49/R 64) railroad station. A railroadman said that about 40 tanks had been loaded recently. Twelve flatcars and eight boxcars stood ready for use. Officers and EM arriving at Goepfritz aboard the regular train included 17 officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and 8 officers and 9 EM wearing black-bordered red epaulets. The mail was picked up by truck driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets. The parking lot for tank trucks north of the railroad station was vacant. Motor vehicles seen in the streets of Goepfritz included van-like truck and sedan both driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets. jeeps and trucks all driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. Local residents stated that small groups of soldiers kept arriving at, or leaving from, Goepfritz by rail.

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Allentsteig.

2. Soviet officers and EM leaving Allentsteig (O 49/R 53) on 22 August aboard the regular train included 11 officers and 6 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 7 officers and 4 EM wearing black-bordered red epaulets, and 1 major and 6 EM wearing black-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles seen in the streets of Allentsteig included trucks all driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets; and sedan driven by a soldier with black-bordered red epaulets. A tank with five large bogie wheels, a 75-mm gun without muzzle brake and a machine gun mounted on a revolving turret was seen en route toward Zwettl (O 49/R 42).*

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* Comment. Periodic information from the railroad stations of both Goeppfritz and Allentsteig indicates that the Doellersheim troop training grounds was still only lightly occupied until the second half of August 1951. Local residents again stated that the troops practicing there were frequently exchanged. Most of the motor vehicles mentioned in the present report belong to the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div.

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it is believed that the 46th Gds Mech Regt was still at the troop training grounds about 20 August 1951. The regiment had moved to Doellersheim about 20 June 1951.

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